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Attorney Docket No. CIRC018

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Serial No. 09/835,873

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Application of: VANGE

Customer No.: **25235**

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
PROVIDING DISTRIBUTED  
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE PURSUANT TO OFFICE ACTION  
DATED May 8, 2003

MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the office communication mailed May 8, 2003, please  
amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which  
begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.